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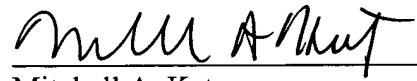
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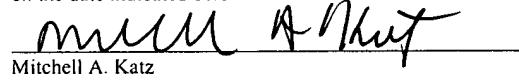


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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIALS	CITE NO.	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
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